

REMARKS

The applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the amendment and following remarks. The applicants have copied claims 1-28 of US patent 6,455,236 (“ ‘236 patent”) issued September 24, 2002. Claims 13- 38 correspond to claims 1-28 of the ‘236 patent. Support for newly added claim 13 can be found in the original claims 1 and 3 and the examples. Support for newly added claims 14-17 can be found in the specification at page 3, lines 1-5 of the specification. Support for newly added claim 18-21 can be found in the specification at page 3, lines 25-26; page 4, lines 6-7 and examples 1 and 3. Support for newly added claims 22 and 23 can be found at page 2, lines 15-20; page 3, line 25 and in the examples, in particular example 1. Support for newly added claim 24 can be found in example 1. Support for newly added claim 25, in particular support for ammonium, sodium, and potassium alkali salts are disclosed at page 3, lines 1-5 and page 5 line 26. Support for newly added claim 26 can be found in the specification at page 5, lines 25-29. Claim 27 corresponds to claim 17 of the ‘236 patent. Support for newly added claims 28 and 29 can be found in the original claims 1 and 4 and the examples. Support for newly added claims 30-33 can be found in the specification at page 3, lines 1-5 of the specification. Support for newly added claim 34-37 can be found in the specification at page 3, lines 25-26; page 4, lines 6-7 and examples 1 and 3. Support for newly added claim 38 can be found in the original claims 1 and 3 and the examples. Support for newly added claim 39 can be found in the examples which use a stabilizer and developer (see the top of page 6 of the specification).

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The applicants have enclosed a certified English translation of the priority document which the applicants believe entitles them to a May 27, 2000 filing date of which is prior to the filing date of November 17, 2000 which is the filing date of the '236 patent. The applicants do not believe that the '236 patent is entitled to the filing date of January 6, 2000 because the claimed invention is not completely supported by the continuation-in-part application.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, including any fees required for an additional extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, such an extension is requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

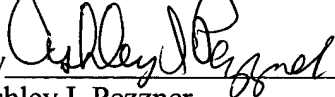
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A prompt and favorable action is solicited. The applicants believe that these claims are in condition for allowance, however, if the Examiner disagrees, the applicants respectfully request that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (302) 888-6270.

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